Amendment No. 1 to HB1495

Ramsey Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 1782

House Bill No. 1495*

by deleting all of the language after the enacting clause and substituting the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-6-204(d), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

- (d) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a community mental health center as defined in § 33-1-101 from employing a physician; provided, that the employment relationship between the physician and the community mental health center is evidenced by a written contract, job description or documentation, containing language which does not restrict the physician from exercising independent medical judgment in diagnosing and treating patients; provided, for the purposes of this subsection, physician does not include an anesthesiologist, an emergency department physician, a pathologist or a radiologist.
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-6-204(e), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision (3):
 - (3) For the purposes of this subsection (e), physician does not include an anesthesiologist, an emergency department physician, a pathologist or a radiologist.
- SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.